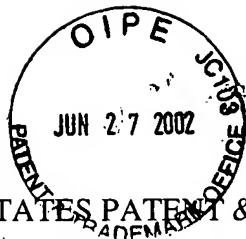


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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2)

June 27, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2) in response to a NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS *Filing Date Granted* dated June 4, 2002, confirmation number 3659 ("NOTICE"), in United States Application serial number 10/071,032, filed February 8, 2002, which claims benefit of priority from United States Provisional Application number 60/268,780, filed February 14, 2001. Enclosed herewith as a separate paper is a Preliminary Amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.115(a), which is also in response to the NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION

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THE PETITION:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to:

- (1) determine that the items alleged in the NOTICE as omitted from the application, namely pages numbered 259-268 of the specification

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(description and claims), were received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office with the above-identified application; and

- (2) determine that the filing date accorded to the above-identified application of February 8, 2002, should also be accorded for pages numbered 259 to 268 of the specification.

Applicants further respectfully request a refund of the petition fee in anticipation that the instant Petition will be granted.